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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of documents (16) to (18) are enclosed.

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 5,586,131
- (2) U.S. Patent No. 5,629,704
- (3) U.S. Patent No. 5,659,560
- (4) U.S. Patent No. 5,699,373
- (5) U.S. Patent No. 5,764,670
- (6) U.S. Patent No. 6,854,901
- (7) U.S. Patent No. 7,062,116

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- (8) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2006/0039431
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- (11) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2006/0197021
- (12) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2006/0214176
- (13) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2006/0227340
- (14) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2006/0244629
- (15) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2007/0030115

- (16) JP 6-168065
- (17) JP 7-35842
- (18) JP 8-82670

English language abstracts accompany each of documents (16) to (18).

Documents (16) to (18) are also discussed in the specification of the subject application and may be deemed relevant for the reasons given therein. In addition, it is noted that document (2) is an English-language counterpart for document (18). The concise explanation of relevance for non-English language documents (16) to (18) is believed to be satisfied by the English language abstracts, the discussion provided in the specification, and the English language counterpart. See MPEP 609.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Application:


<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>INVENTORS</u>
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The subject application has received an Office Action on the merits but has not yet received either a final action or a Notice of Allowance. Accordingly, this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) and is accompanied by the \$180.00 fee specified at 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p). Consideration of the art cited herein is accordingly deemed proper, and such action is respectfully requested.

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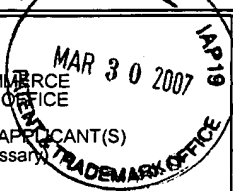
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